Alki Beach Residences

CITY OF SEATTLE DESIGN REVIEW RECOMMENDATION MEETING

1250 ALKI AVENUE SW

DPD #3020640

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PROJECT INTRODUCTION

APPLICANT TEAM

Applicant: Vibrant Cities Architect: Tiscareno Associates

Landscape Architect: Communita Atelier

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Alki Beach Residences is a proposed mid-rise condominium development located in the Alki neighborhood of West Seattle, occupying five parcels on Alki Avenue SW near Duwamish Head. The proposal continues the trend of midrise residential development in the area and will prioritize celebrating the natural beauty of the site.

The massing is developed as two distinct forms separated by a wide courtyard at level 2 to keep the same scale and rhythm of neighboring buildings. The east mass features a vertical expression emphasizing the lobby entrance and a rectilinear balcony edge, while the west mass has a horizontal emphasis and stepped balcony edge, as well as simple design cues meant to indicate the garage entry and other secondary spaces. Four residences will have ground level entries accessed along Alki Avenue. Landscaped patios will provide a buffer between public and private spaces.

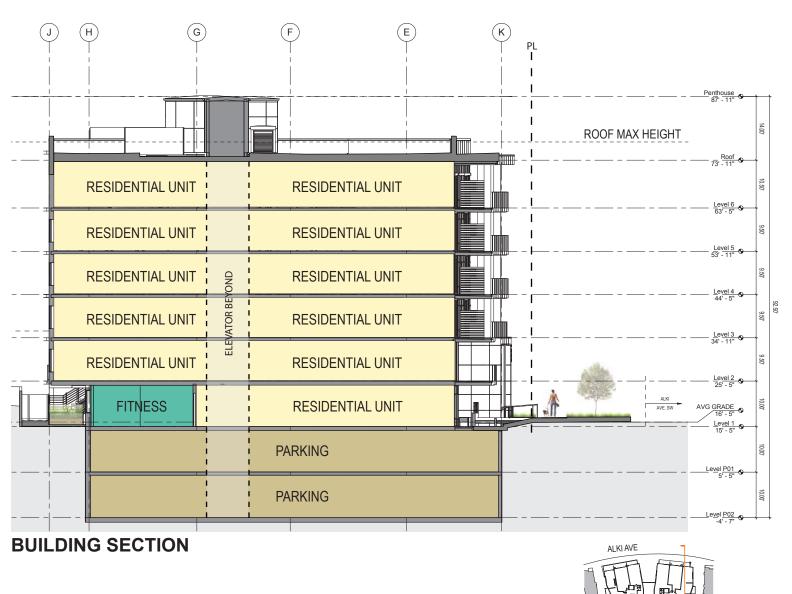
The project will emphasize the natural elements of the site and its surrounding context, namely Puget Sound and the densely vegetated steep hillside behind the site. The building's orientation is intended to maximize views of the water and beyond, and an infinity pool on level 2 acts to symbolically bring the Sound into the building. Also on level 2 is a garden terrace facing the wooded hillside behind the site. The two natural landscapes are brought together visually through a porous lounge at the courtyard level and a rooftop sanctuary.

PROPOSAL INFORMATION

- 40 Residential Units
- Six stories including five levels of residences over a ground floor of lobby space, utility areas, parking and additional residences
- 76 parking stalls for residents at the ground floor level and in a below grade garage

NOTABLE FEATURES

- Generous amenity spaces for residents
 - Generous street level lobby connecting to two elevator cores
 - Fitness Center
 - Level 2 community living room, garden terrace, infinity pool, spa and pool deck
 - Rooftop sanctuary
- Landscaped entries to level 1 units
- Solar panel array on the rooftop (future)
- Ample bike and recreation equipment storage for residents



DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES

To maximize potential and views of this unique site, the building is divided into two entities separated by a central courtyard. Each entity is designed distinctly but shares common design features in order to express the notion of symbiotic asymmetry. The three elements are combined and elegantly detailed to create a unique "place" along the waterfront.

On the exterior, in order to resonate with the surrounding nature of the Pacific Northwest, the building employs a sophisticated color palette and natural materials. White, which symbolizes purity and simplicity, is the primary color of the building. Cedar wood and exposed concrete are also integrated throughout the exterior to emphasize a connection to nature, and the warm color of cedar conceives a welcome gesture.

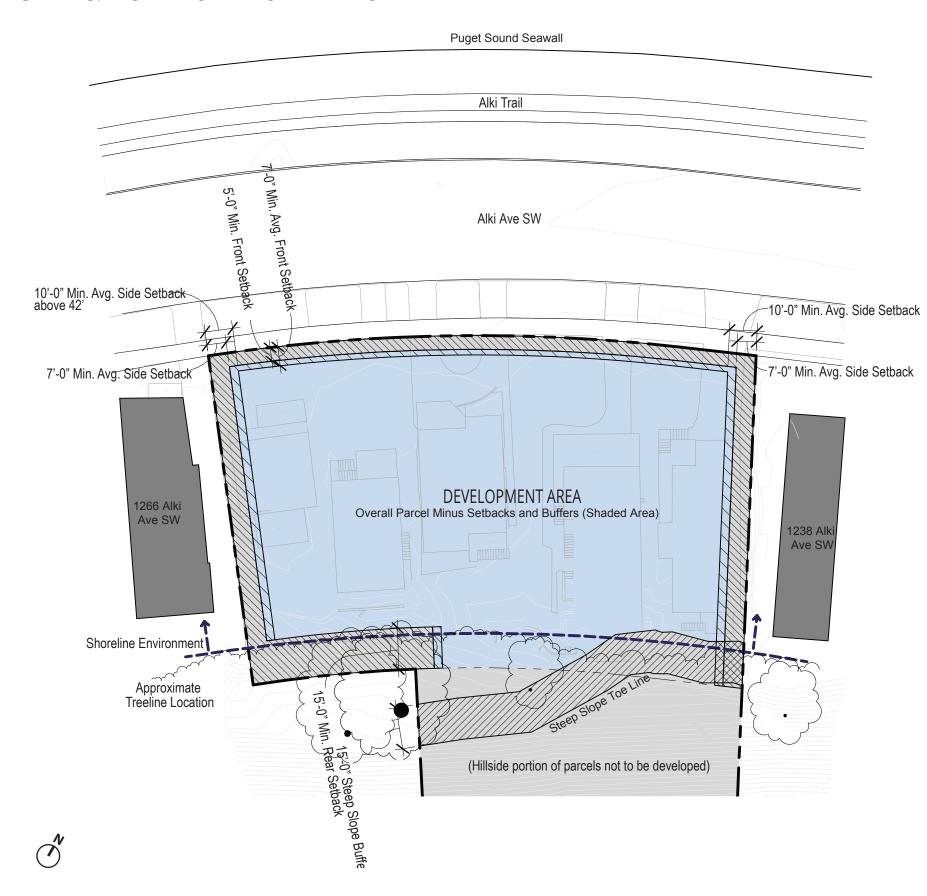
EXISTING SITE

The project is located in the Alki neighborhood of West Seattle, at the Western side of Duwamish Head. The site is comprised of five parcels along Alki Avenue SW that face Puget Sound. One mile to the Southwest is Alki Beach and three miles to the East is the West Seattle Bridge. Behind the site parcels rises a steep hillside with residential neighborhoods above, though there is no direct access from the site itself or within close proximity. Alki Avenue curves along the front of the site, creating a slightly wedge-shaped parcel.

CONTEXT ANALYSIS



SITE & ZONING INFORMATION



BASE ZONING: MR (MIDRISE RESIDENTIAL):

Residential use permitted outright per SMC 23.45.504, Table A

ZONING OVERLAYS PRESENT:

UR (Urban Residential) Shoreline Jurisdiction Alki Parking Overlay (AL)

ENVIRONMENTALLY CRITICAL AREA OVERLAYS PRESENT:

40% Steep Slope Archaeological Buffer Liquefaction Zone Potential Slide Area

OVERALL SITE AREA: 0.518 Acres / 22,553sf (MR-zoned portion being developed)

FLOOR AREA RATIO (FAR): 3.2 base allowed

Allowable floor area: 72,169sf base allowed (Compliant)

MAX HEIGHT: 61'-6"

60'-0" Base for MR zones, capped by UR Shoreline Environmental Overlay, 23.60A.572 1'-6" Additional allowable for roof insulation exceeding code minimum, per 23.60A.572.C.2 10'-0" Additional allowable for stair and elevator penthouses, and mechanical

SETBACKS: Per SMC 23.45.518, Table B

Front Setback: 5' Minimum, 7' Average (Compliant)

Side Setback, < 42' in height: 5' Minimum, 7' Average (Compliant) Side Setback, > 42' in height: 7' Minimum, 10' Average (Compliant)

Rear Setback: 15' Minimum (Compliant)

MAXIMUM BUILDING DIMENSIONS: Per SMC 23.45.528

Structure Depth: 90'-0" - 75% of 120' Lot Depth (Departure requested for 11'-5", see page 32)

Structure Width: 150'-0" (Departure requested for 30'-5", see page 32)

PARKING REQUIRED: 1.5 Spaces per dwelling unit (Compliant)

Per Part O., Table B for 23.54.015, Alki Parking Overlay

BICYCLE PARKING:

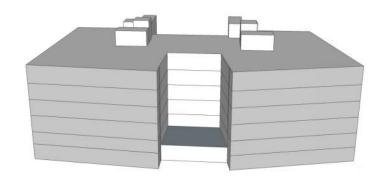
1 Space per 4 Dwelling Units for Long Term use, per SMC 23.54.015, Table D (Compliant)

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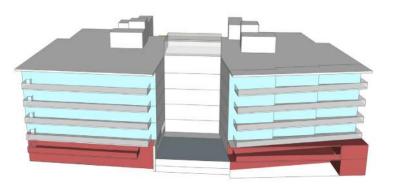
ARCHITECTURE + URBAN DESIGN

ARTICULATION PROGRESSION - EDG PROPOSAL



TWO DISTINCT MASSES WITH A CENTER COURT— **NEIGHBORHOOD COMPATIBILITY**

- The previously approved break in the building divides the mass into two distinct parts.
- Each mass is uniquely angled to address the curvature of Alki Avenue and orients views to the water.
- The facades of the broken down masses are similar in scale to other buildings along Alki Avenue SW.



MASS SHIFTS, BALCONIES, TRANSPARENT FACADES AND PEDESTRIAN SCALE

- The primary masses shift away from the street aligning with neighboring structures.
- Wide balconies continue the horizontal expression that is common among other buildings along Alki Avenue.
- Added transparency diffuses the mass.
- Street-level massing is scaled to the pedestrian.



LOBBY EXPRESSION, AMENITY POOL, PORTAL, AND **GREENHOUSE ELEMENTS CREATE A UNIQUE IDENTITY**

- Clear architectural indicators of entry.
- Additional facade modulation add interest to the mass.
- Infinity pool introduced within the courtyard at level 2 acting as a visual connection to the water.
- Two story transparent amenity space added at the central spine enables views through the structure connecting the natural elements surrounding the site.
- A rooftop greenhouse further connects the building with the lush hillside beyond.







Concept and Inspiration Images

RESPONSE TO EARLY DESIGN GUIDANCE



EDG DESIGN VIEW





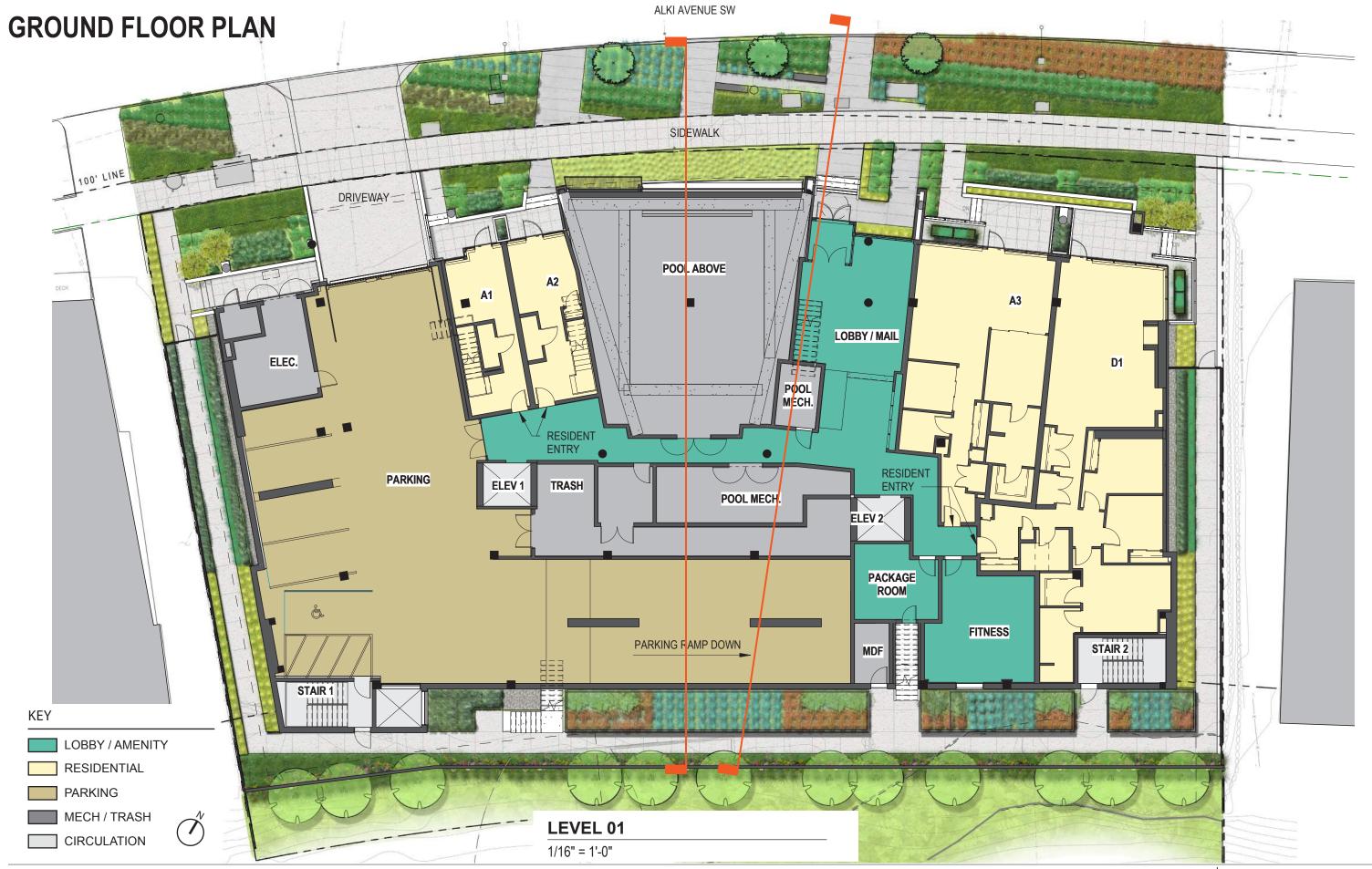
- 1. (3.B) HORIZONTALITY OF THE FULL WIDTH BALCONIES CREATES A RELENTLESS FORMULA ACROSS THE TWO BUILDINGS. REFINE THE FAÇADE EXPRESSION TO INTERRUPT THE BALCONIES AND / OR SOFTEN THE CONCEPT.
- 2. (1.B) REDUCE THE HEIGHT OF THE WALL AT THE BASE OF THE COURTYARD / WATERFALL FEATURE.
- 3. (2.B) PROVIDE DETAILS ON HOW THE WATERFALL WILL MEET THE WALL AND GROUND PLANE.
- 4. (1.A) REDUCE THE BUILDING WIDTH BY AT LEAST 1.5 FEET AT EACH SIDE YARD. THE COURTYARD WIDTH CAN BE REDUCED SO THAT THE SIDE YARDS CAN INCREASE.
- 5. (2.A) ALIGN THE FRONT BUILDING SETBACK WITH NEIGHBORING STRUCTURES.



EDG DESIGN VIEW

- 6. (2.B) THE FRONT YARD WILL NEED TO BE VISUALLY ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC WHILE ALSO PROVIDING PRIVACY FOR THE GROUND LEVEL ENTRANCES.
- 7. (2.C) PROVIDE AN ENTRY HIERARCHY OF PUBLIC, SEMI-PUBLIC, SEMI-PRIVATE AND PRIVATE SPACE AT THE MAIN BUILDING ENTRY.
- 8. (2.D) DESIGN SAFE GROUND LEVEL ENTRIES WITH A SENSE OF SECURITY.
- 9. (3.A) PROVIDE FURTHER DEVELOPED ROOFTOP AND COURTYARD AMENITY SPACES.

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DESIGN RESPONSE: VERTICAL GLAZING DETAILS AND STRUCTURAL COLUMNS EXPRESS LAYERING AND PATTERNING

BOARD COMMENT 1. (3.B) HORIZONTALITY OF THE FULL WIDTH BALCONIES CREATES A RELENTLESS FORMULA ACROSS THE TWO BUILDINGS. REFINE THE FAÇADE EXPRESSION TO INTERRUPT THE BALCONIES AND/OR SOFTEN THE CONCEPT.

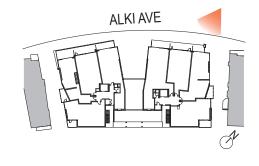


CURRENT DESIGN VIEW (FROM ALKI AVE LOOKING SOUTH)



EDG VIEW
(FROM ALKI AVE LOOKING SOUTH)

- 1 WHILE PREDOMINANTLY HORIZONTAL IN NATURE, SIGNIFICANT LAYERING AND PATTERNING HAS BEEN EXPRESSED MORE CLEARLY IN THE DESIGN FROM VERTICAL SUPPORTS FOR CLEAR GLASS GUARDRAILS UP TO SUBSTANTIAL VERTICAL STRUCTURAL COLUMN EXPRESSIONS.
- 2 LAYERED USE OF GLAZING ADDS DEPTH AND BRIGHTNESS TO THE FORMS. THE USE OF VERTICAL METAL RAILING SUPPORTS HELPS BREAK DOWN THE BULKINESS OF THE FACADE.
- 3 SOPHISTICATED NATURAL MATERIALS AND COLORS RESULT IN A CONTEMPORARY AND ELEGANT APPEARANCE.



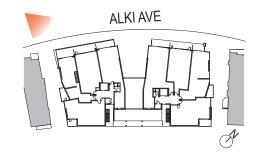


CURRENT DESIGN VIEW (FROM ALKI AVE LOOKING EAST)



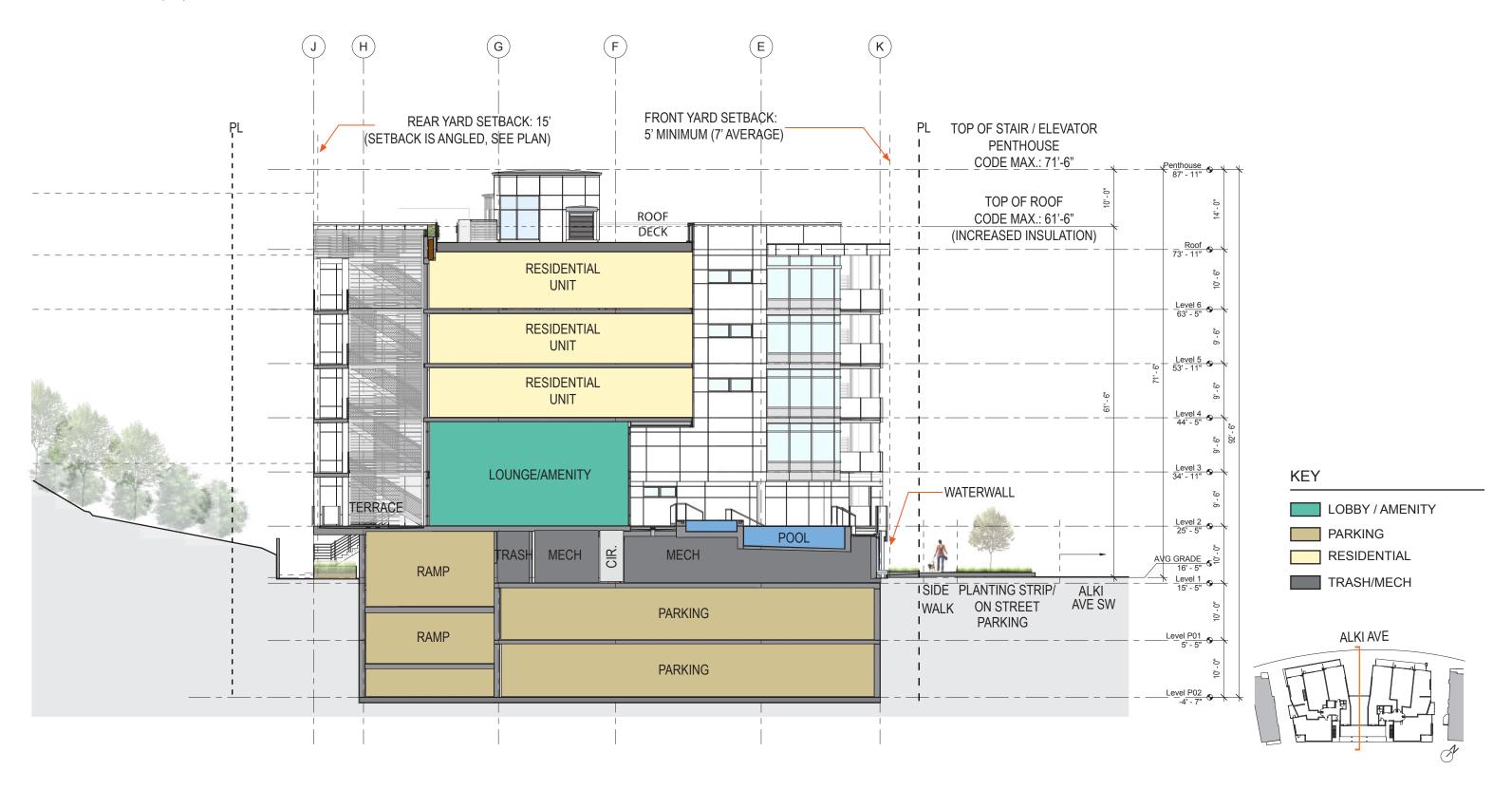
EDG VIEW (FROM ALKI AVE LOOKING EAST)

- 4 NATURAL WOOD ACCENTS HAVE BEEN INTRODUCED AT THE LOBBY ENTRY, WALLS AT GRADE, UNIT BALCONY SCREENS, AND AT THE ROOF. THE MATERIAL GROUNDS THE STRUCTURE INTO THE SITE AND PROVIDES A VALUED WARMING OF THE PEDESTRIAN REALM AND CONNECTIVITY TO THE LUSH AND VIBRANT LANDSCAPE.
- (5) SUBTLE VARIATIONS BETWEEN THE BUILDING WINGS PRESENTS A REFINED SYMBIOTIC ASYMMETRY. THE TWO VOLUMES SHARE SIMILAR DESIGN ELEMENTS AND ARE VISUALLY CONNECTED. IT CREATES INTEREST ON THE FACADE AND ALLEVIATES THE HORIZONTAL EFFECTS.
- (6) CORNER-WRAPPING GLAZING ON BOTH WINGS VISUALLY DISSOLVES THE CORNERS AND ADDS TO THE LAYERING WITH CLEAR GLASS DIFFUSING VIEWS.



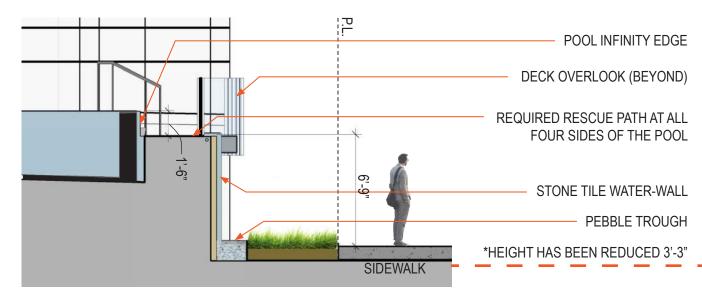
DESIGN RESPONSE: WALL LOWERED 1'-6" AND NOW PROVIDES TWO WATER ELEMENTS WHILE PROVIDING SAFE ACCESS TO ALL SIDES OF THE POOL

BOARD COMMENT 2.(1.B) REDUCE THE HEIGHT OF THE WALL AT THE BASE OF THE COURTYARD / WATERFALL FEATURE. BOARD COMMENT 3.(2.B) PROVIDE DETAILS ON HOW THE WATERWALL WILL MEET THE WALL AND GROUND PLANE.

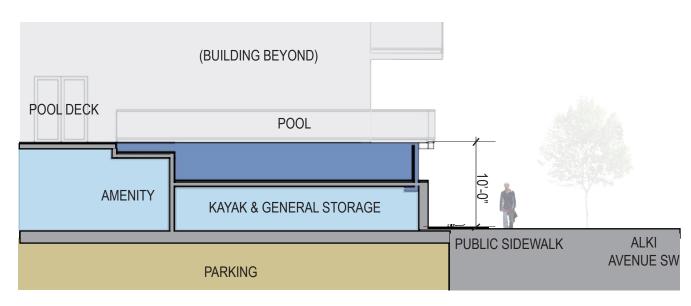




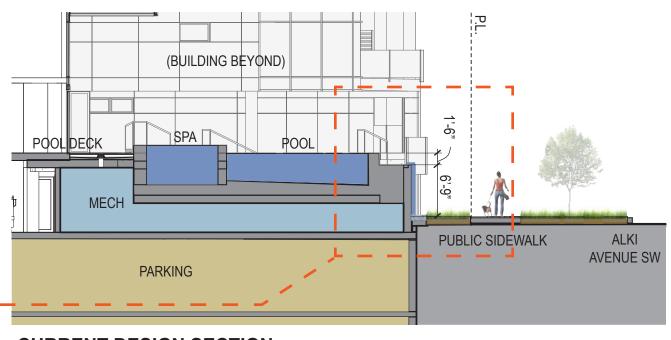
LEVEL 2 POOL PLAN



POOL / WATER-WALL SECTION



EDG DESIGN SECTION



CURRENT DESIGN SECTION

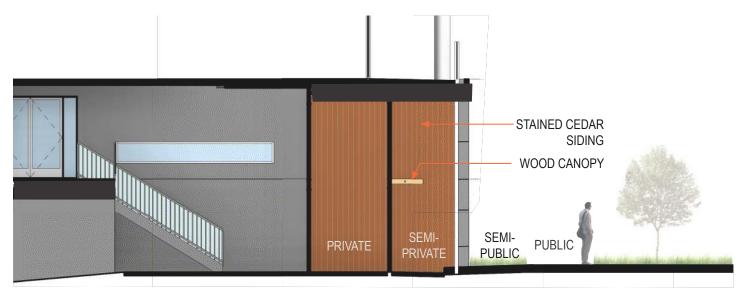
DESIGN RESPONSE: VISUALLY ACCESSIBLE FRONT YARD AND ENTRY ALSO PROVIDES NATURAL PRIVACY AND SECURITY. ENTRY PAVING, PORTAL FRAME, AND GLASS DOORS SIGNAL THE TRANSITION FROM PUBLIC TO PRIVATE REALMS

BOARD COMMENT 6. (2.B) THE FRONT YARD WILL NEED TO BE VISUALLY ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC WHILE ALSO PROVIDING PRIVACY FOR THE GROUND LEVEL ENTRANCES. BOARD COMMENT 7. (2.C) PROVIDE AN ENTRY HIERARCHY OF PUBLIC, SEMI-PUBLIC, SEMI-PRIVATE AND PRIVATE SPACE AT THE MAIN BUILDING ENTRY. BOARD COMMENT 8. (2.D) DESIGN SAFE GROUND LEVEL ENTRIES WITH A SENSE OF SECURITY.



PLAN AT MAIN BUILDING ENTRY

- 1) FRONT BUILDING SETBACK HAS BEEN ADJUSTED TO ALIGN WITH NEIGHBORING STRUCTURES.
- MIXED HEIGHT PLANTING PROVIDES VISUAL INTEREST TO THE PUBLIC AND NATURAL PRIVACY BUFFER FOR RESIDENTS.



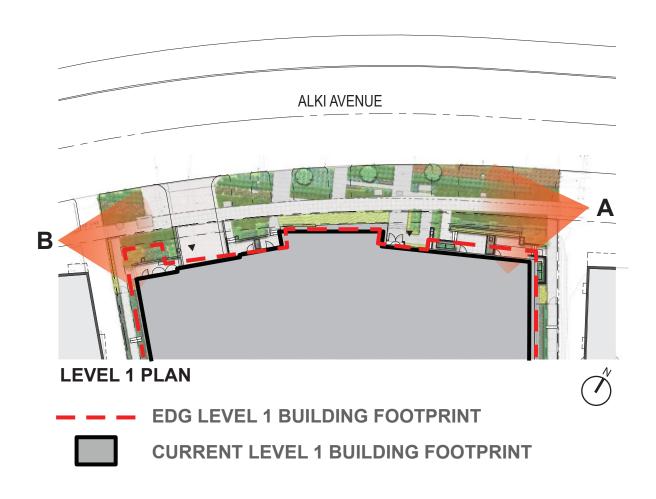
MAIN BUILDING ENTRY



ENTRY VIEW

DESIGN RESPONSE: STRUCTURE HAS BEEN ADJUSTED TO BETTER ALIGN WITH EXISTING RHYTHM ALONG ALKI AVE. TO IMPROVE THE PEDESTRIAN EXPERIENCE

BOARD COMMENT 5.(2.A) ALIGN THE FRONT BUILDING SETBACK WITH NEIGHBORING STRUCTURES.



- 1) FRONT BUILDING SETBACK HAS BEEN ADJUSTED TO ALIGN WITH NEIGHBORING STRUCTURES.
- 2 MIXED HEIGHT PLANTING PROVIDES VISUAL INTEREST TO THE PUBLIC AND NATURAL PRIVACY BUFFER FOR RESIDENTS.



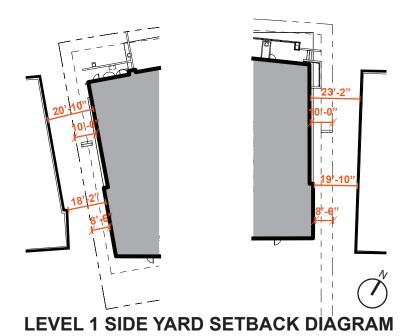
A: VIEW FROM ALKI AVE LOOKING WEST



B: VIEW FROM ALKI AVE LOOKING EAST

DESIGN RESPONSE: INCREASED SIDE YARDS TO ALLOW FOR MORE ACCESS TO NATURAL LIGHT AND TO MAXIMIZE THE VIEWS

BOARD COMMENT 4.(1.A) REDUCE THE BUILDING WIDTH BY AT LEAST 1.5 FEET AT EACH SIDE YARD. THE COURTYARD WIDTH CAN BE REDUCED SO THAT THE SIDE YARDS CAN INCREASE.





THE PROPOSED SIDE YARD SETBACKS AT THE EDG MEETING WERE 7'-0". IN THE CURRENT PROPOSAL, THE BUILDING WIDTH HAS BEEN REDUCED BY 3'-0" AT THE FRONT HALF OF THE BUILDING AND 1'-6" AT THE BACK HALF OF THE BUILDING RESULTING IN WIDENING OF THE SIDE YARDS IN ORDER TO PROVIDE RELIEF IN PRIVACY AND SHADING.



EAST SIDE YARD VIEW



WEST SIDE YARD VIEW

ELEVATIONS



1 GLASS - WINDOW WALL 7 FIBER-REINFORCED GLAZING



(2) GLASS - WINDOW WALL **GLAZING AT LOBBY**



3 GLASS - SPANDREL -GRAY



(4) GLASS - BALCONY RAILING GLAZING



(5) SMOOTH METAL PANEL - WHITE



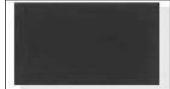
6 SMOOTH METAL PANEL (12) CONCRETE - GRAY



CEMENT PANEL - WHITE



8 ANODIZED FINISH -CLEAR



9 ANODIZED FINISH -CHARCOAL GRAY



10 WOOD - STAINED CEDAR SIDING



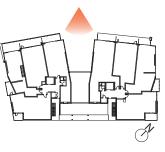
11) STONE - WATER WALL





ELEVATION - NORTH

1/16" = 1'-0"

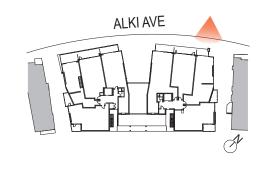


NORTH ELEVATION STUDY



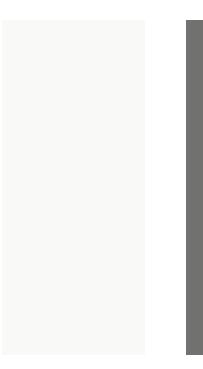


NORTH ELEVATION

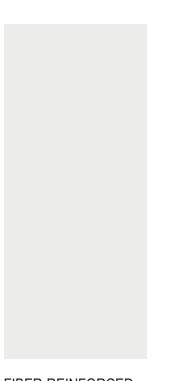


MATERIAL PALETTE











ALUMINUM WINDOW - CLEAR ANODIZED

SMOOTH METAL PANEL -WHITE

SMOOTH METAL PANEL -GRAY

FIBER-REINFORCED CEMENT PANELS - WHITE

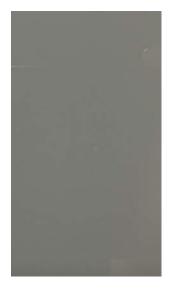
STAINED CEDAR SIDING



GLASS - WINDOW WALL



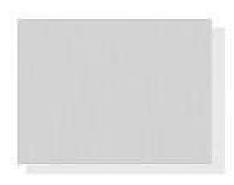
GLASS - LOBBY



GLASS - SPANDREL -GRAY



GLASS - BALCONY **RAILINGS**



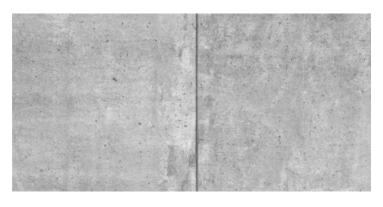
ANODIZED FINISH -CLEAR



ANODIZED FINISH -CHARCOAL GRAY



STONE - WATER WALL



CONCRETE

ELEVATIONS



GLAZING





(2) GLASS - WINDOW WALL **GLAZING AT LOBBY**



3 GLASS - SPANDREL -GRAY



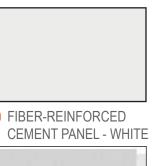
(4) GLASS - BALCONY RAILING GLAZING



(5) SMOOTH METAL PANEL (11) STONE - WATER WALL - WHITE



6 SMOOTH METAL PANEL (12) CONCRETE - GRAY







9 ANODIZED FINISH -CHARCOAL GRAY



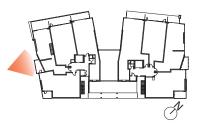
10 WOOD - STAINED CEDAR SIDING





ELEVATION - WEST

1/16" = 1'-0"



ELEVATIONS





(2) GLASS - WINDOW WALL **GLAZING AT LOBBY**



3 GLASS - SPANDREL -GRAY



(4) GLASS - BALCONY RAILING GLAZING



(5) SMOOTH METAL PANEL - WHITE



6 SMOOTH METAL PANEL (12) CONCRETE - GRAY



CEMENT PANEL - WHITE



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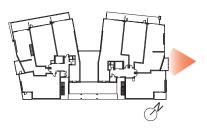
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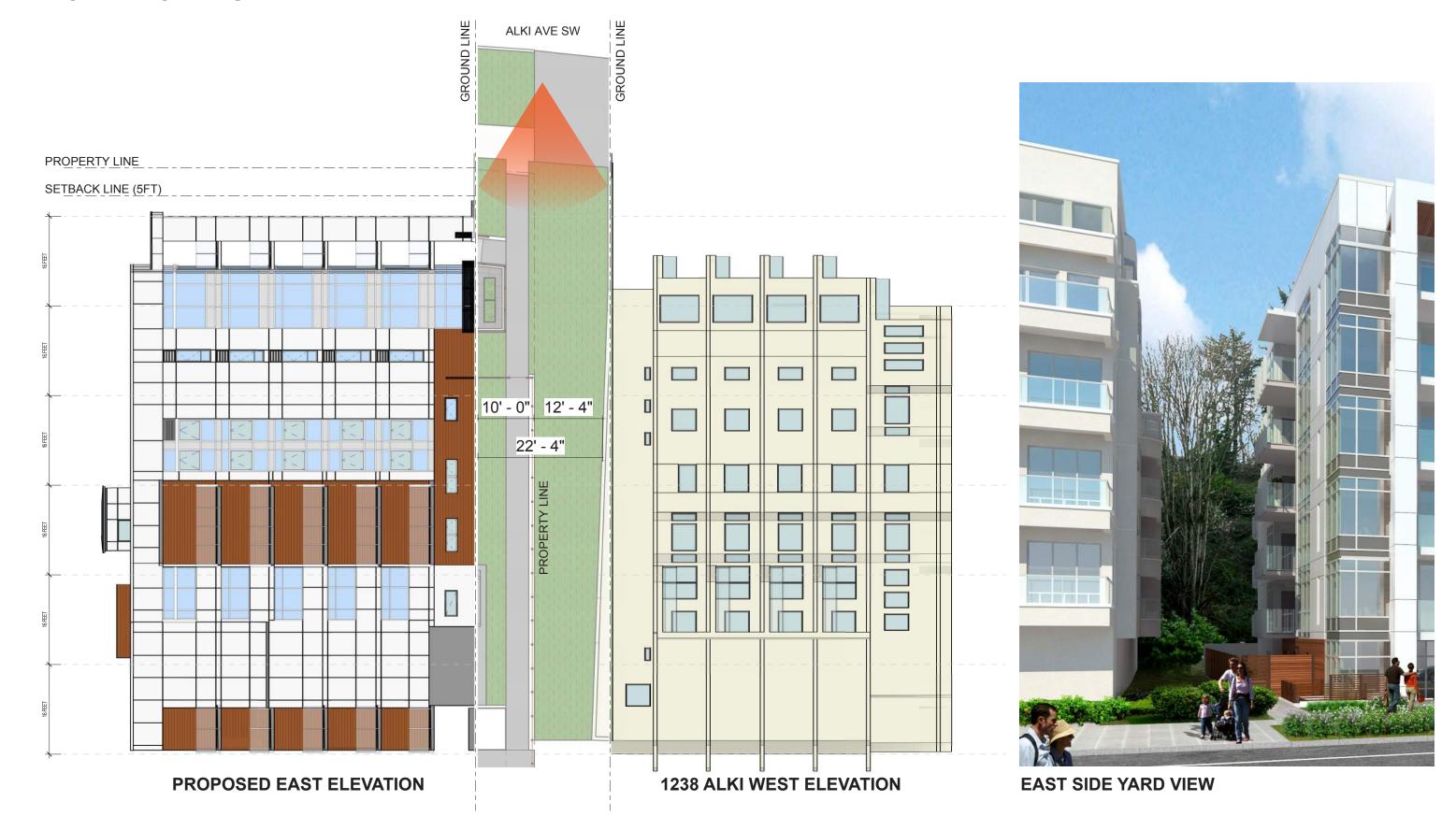


ELEVATION - EAST

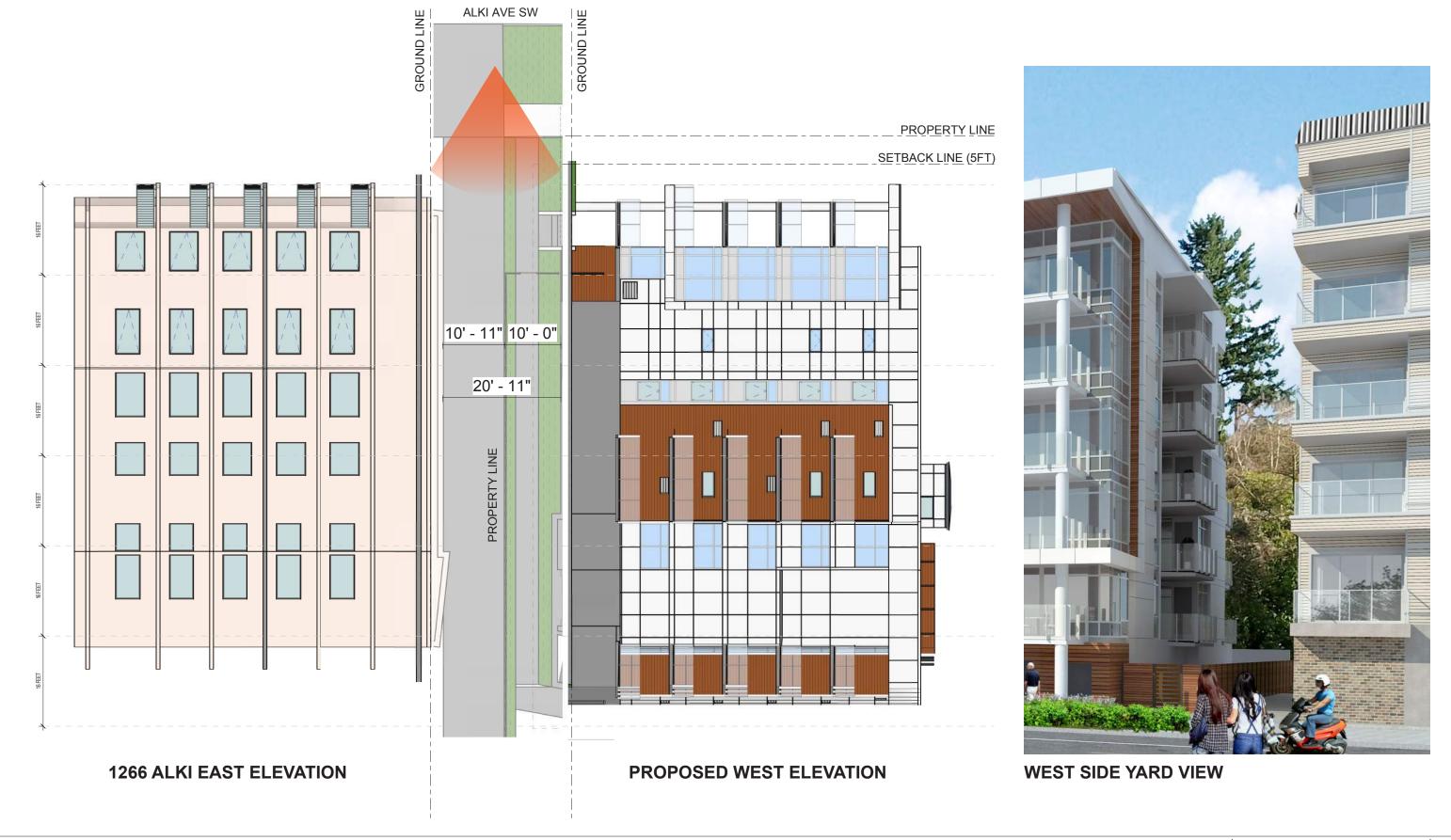
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WINDOW DIAGRAMS



WINDOW DIAGRAMS



ELEVATIONS



GLAZING



1 GLASS - WINDOW WALL 7 FIBER-REINFORCED CEMENT PANEL - WHITE



(2) GLASS - WINDOW WALL **GLAZING AT LOBBY**



(8) ANODIZED FINISH -CLEAR



3 GLASS - SPANDREL -GRAY



9 ANODIZED FINISH -CHARCOAL GRAY



4 GLASS - BALCONY RAILING GLAZING



(10) WOOD - STAINED CEDAR SIDING



5 SMOOTH METAL PANEL - WHITE

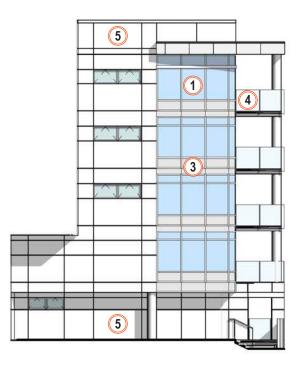


(11) STONE - WATER WALL



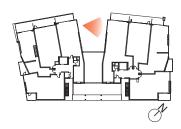
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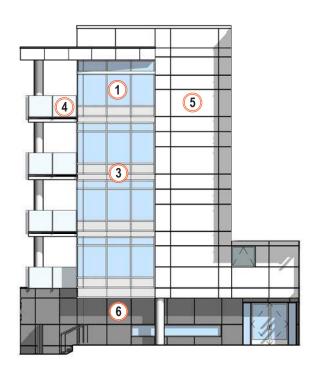




COURTYARD ELEVATION - WEST

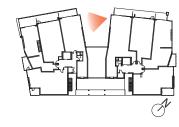
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COURTYARD ELEVATION - EAST

1/16" = 1'-0"



ELEVATIONS



GLAZING



1 GLASS - WINDOW WALL 7 FIBER-REINFORCED CEMENT PANEL - WHITE



(2) GLASS - WINDOW WALL **GLAZING AT LOBBY**



8 ANODIZED FINISH -CLEAR



(3) GLASS - SPANDREL -GRAY



9 ANODIZED FINISH -CHARCOAL GRAY



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10 WOOD - STAINED CEDAR SIDING



(5) SMOOTH METAL PANEL - WHITE



11) STONE - WATER WALL



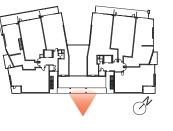
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ELEVATION - SOUTH

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AERIAL VIEW FROM SOUTH



EDG DESIGN VIEW



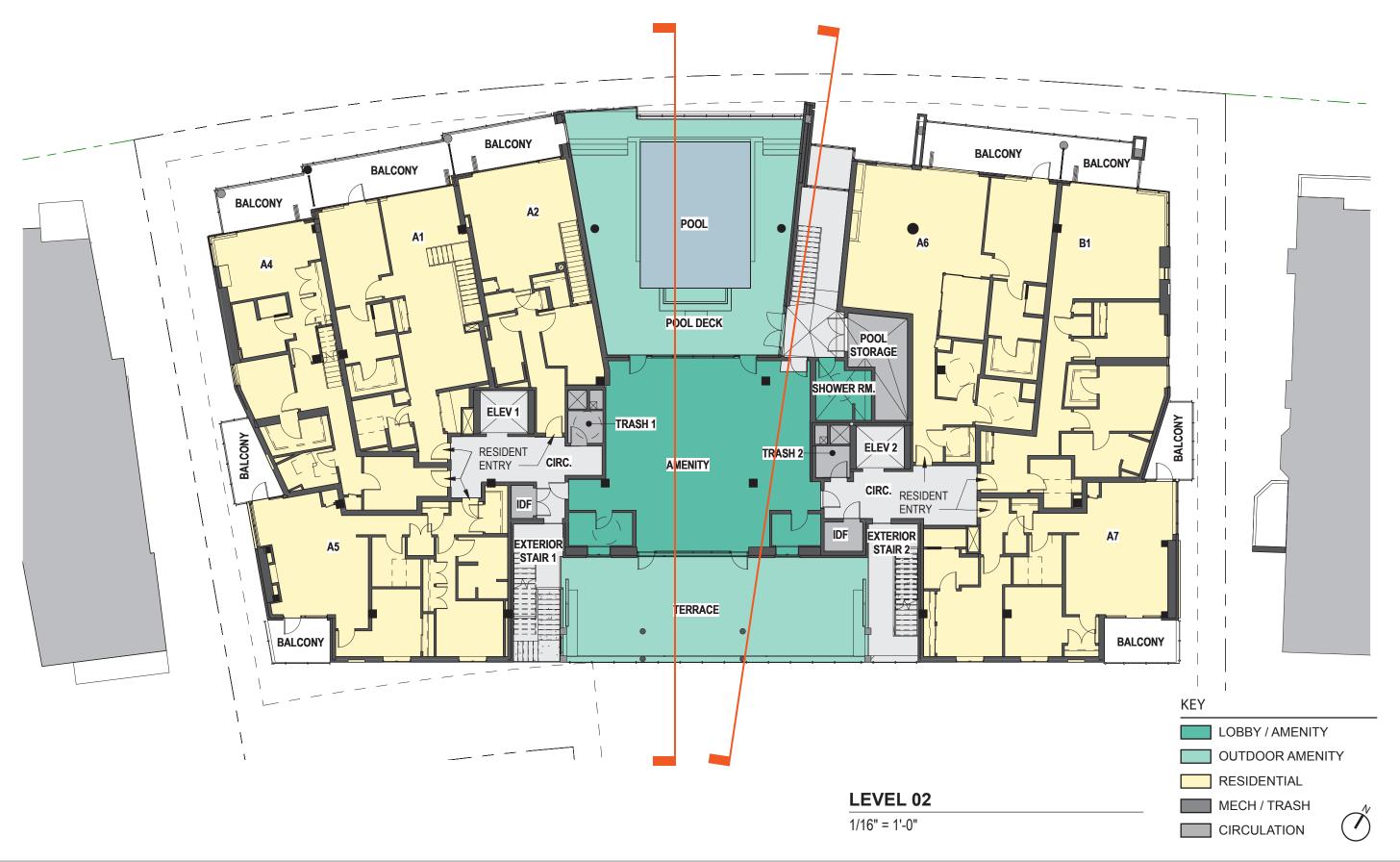
CURRENT DESIGN VIEW



SOUTH COURTYARD VIEW

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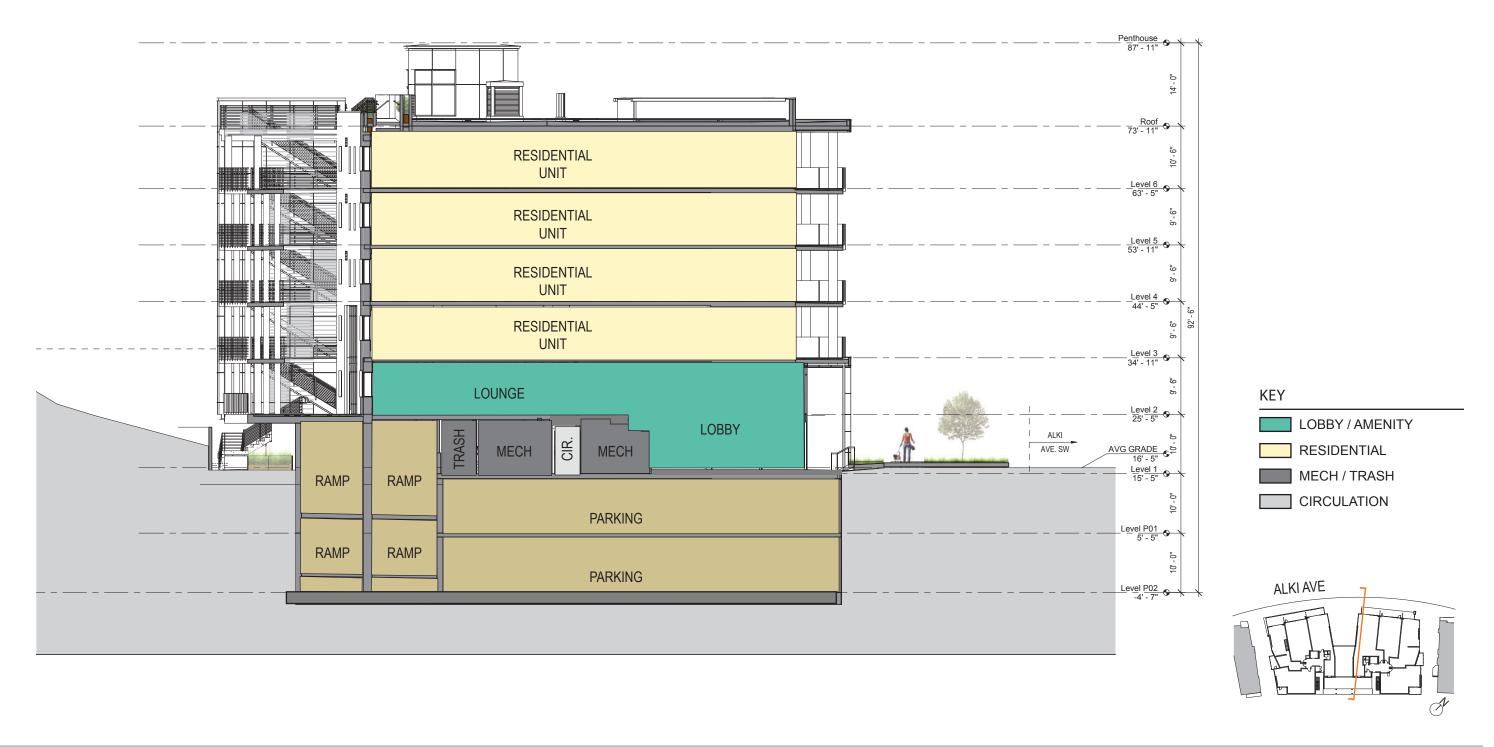
FLOOR PLANS



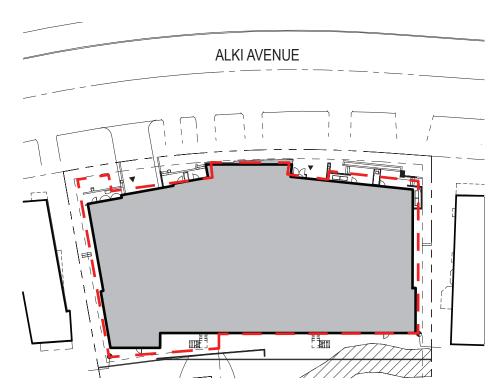
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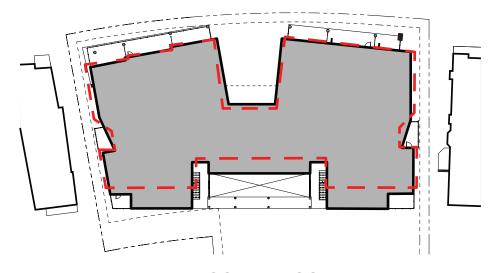
BUILDING SECTION



COORDINATION WITH ACTION ALKI ALLIANCE



GROUND LEVEL PLAN COMPARISON



UPPER LEVEL PLAN COMPARISON



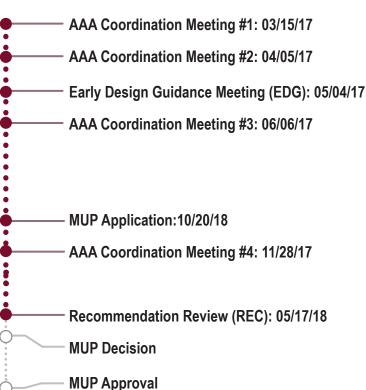
Action Alki Alliance (AAA) addressed three concerns when our team first engaged with them prior to the EDG presentation. In working with AAA and the Design Review Board (DRB), the project now addresses all original concerns brought forward by AAA back while also addressing comments from the DRB.

- AAA had requested 10'-0" side yard setbacks at levels 2 through 6. With goals to maximize density on the site supported by the zoning code, the EDG proposal provided 7'-0" side yard setbacks. The DRB requested that these be reduced to 8'-6" while allowing the central courtyard width to reduce. After coordinating further with AAA following the EDG meeting, the team agreed to expand the side yard setbacks to 10'-0" at the front of the building to increase access to light and views as much as possible while still maintaining project viability.
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ENTITLEMENT TIMELINE:

Action Alki Alliance (AAA) Community Group Coordination

Applicants are encouraged to meet with the local community group to review and develop the concept.



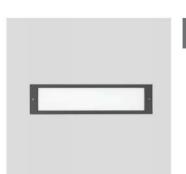
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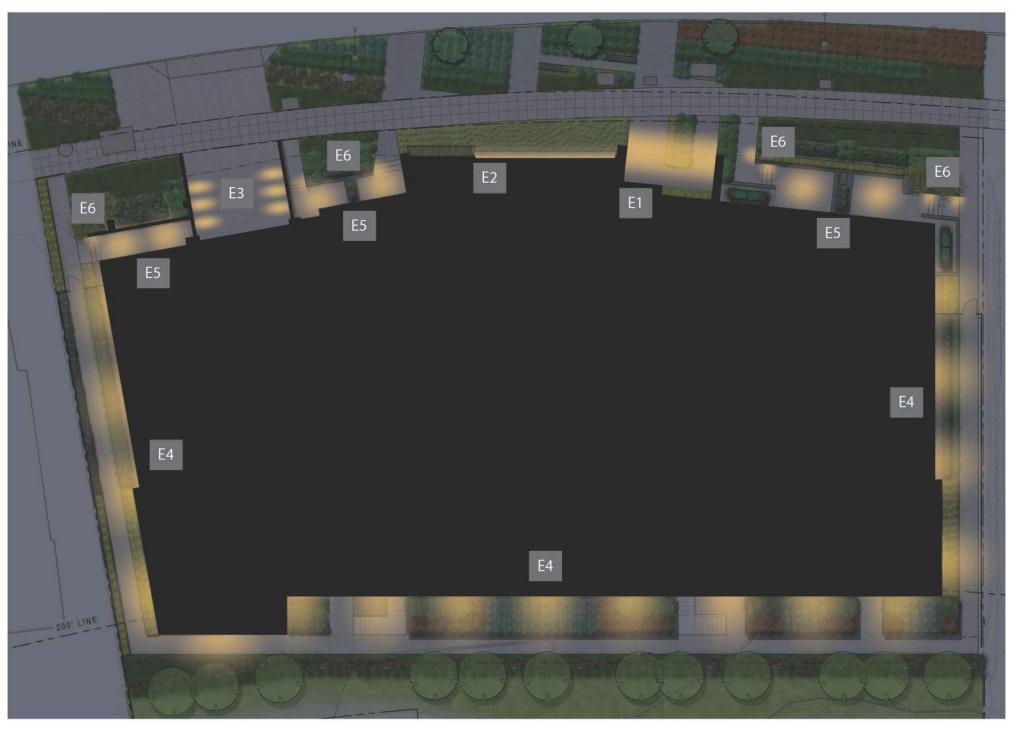
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SURFACE MOUNTED WALL SCONCE WALKWAYS ALONG SIDE AND BACK OF BUILDING LIT BY WALL-MOUNTED DOWN LIGHTS THAT PROVIDE SUFFICIENT ILLUMINATION FOR PEDESTRIAN SAFETY AND **SECURITY**



SURFACE MOUNT LED DOWNLIGHT

LED DOWNLIGHT SURFACE MOUNTED **OVER EACH UNIT PATIO**



RECESSED LED STEPLIGHT RECESSED STEPLIGHT AT UNIT ENTRY STAIRS TO PROVIDE LOW-LEVEL SAFETY PATH LIGHTING

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SMALL SURFACE LED DOWNLIGHT LED DOWNLIGHT SURFACE MOUNTED OVER **EACH UNIT PATIO**



MEDIUM SURFACE LED DOWNLIGHT EXTERIOR STAIRS AND UNDER-WALKWAY LIT BY MEDIUM-SCALE SURFACE MOUNTED **DOWNLIGHTS**



CATENARY SUSPENDED LED CYLINDERS

> LED CYLINDERS SUSPENDED VIA CATENARY SYSTEM OVER POOL AREA & TERRACE FOR GENERAL AMBIENT LIGHT (NOTE: FIXTURE QUANTITY, DENSITY, SHADE FINISH, AND APPEARANCE MAY VARY BASED ON FINAL PHOTOMETRIC ANALYSIS)



RECESSED LED DOWNLIGHT RECESSED DOWNLIGHTS MOUNTED IN **OVERHEAD CANOPY**



SURFACE MOUNTED WALL SCONCE STAIRS LIT BY LED WALL SCONCES MOUNTED TO ADJACENT WALLS

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DEPARTURE MATRIX

| DEPARTU | DEPARTURE REQUESTS | | | | |
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| # | Code Section | Departure Requested | Reason for Departure | | |
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RESPONSE TO DESIGN GUIDELINES

CONTEXT AND SITE

CS1 NATURAL SYSTEMS AND SITE FEATURES

B. SUNLIGHT AND NATURAL VENTILATION

B1. SUN AND WIND: TAKE ADVANTAGE OF SOLAR EXPOSURE AND NATURAL VENTILATION AVAILABLE ONSITE WHERE POSSIBLE. USE LOCAL WIND PATTERNS AND SOLAR GAIN AS A MEANS OF REDUCING THE NEED FOR MECHANICAL VENTILATION AND HEATING WHERE POSSIBLE.

THE HILLSIDE PROTECTS THE BUILDING FROM COLDER WINDS COMING FROM THE SOUTH IN WINTER AND THE BUILDING IS ABLE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF SUMMER WINDS FROM THE NORTH. THE CENTRAL RECESS ALLOWS ACCESS TO INCREASED NATURAL VENTILATION FROM TWO SIDES AND PROVIDES THE ABILITY TO HAVE ACCESS TO MORE DAYLIGHTING TO THE INTERIOR.

B2. DAYLIGHT AND SHADING: MAXIMIZE DAYLIGHT FOR INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR SPACES AND MINIMIZE SHADING ON ADJACENT SITES THROUGH THE PLACEMENT AND/ OR DESIGN OF STRUCTURES ON THE SITE.

THE CENTRAL RECESS INCREASES THE AMOUNT OF EXTERIOR WALL AVAILABLE FOR DAYLIGHTING SO THAT MORE UNITS WILL RECEIVE DAYLIGHTING FROM TWO SIDES. THE SPLAY IN THE BUILDING MASSING OPENS UP THE RECESS TO INCREASE THOSE EFFECTS. THE SIDE YARD SETBACKS HAVE BEEN INCREASED TO ALLOW FOR MORE ACCESS TO DAYLIGHT. THE HILLSIDE ALREADY SHADES ADJACENT SITES FOR MUCH OF THE YEAR.

CS2 URBAN PATTERN AND FORM

D. HEIGHT, BULK, AND SCALE

D1. EXISTING DEVELOPMENT AND ZONING: REVIEW THE HEIGHT. BULK. AND SCALE OF NEIGHBORING BUILDINGS AS WELL AS THE SCALE OF DEVELOPMENT ANTICIPATED BY ZONING FOR THE AREA TO DETERMINE AN APPROPRIATE COMPLEMENT AND/OR TRANSITION. NOTE THAT EXISTING BUILDINGS MAY OR MAY NOT REFLECT THE DENSITY ALLOWED BY ZONING OR ANTICIPATED BY APPLICABLE POLICIES.

THE BUILDING MASS RESPONDS TO MANY EXISTING PATTERNS FOUND IN NEARBY MIDRISE DEVELOPMENT. THE GROUND LEVEL IS DIFFERENTIATED FROM FLOORS ABOVE, A HORIZONTAL EXPRESSION IS CREATED WITH WIDE, CONTINUOUS BALCONIES. THE GLAZED FACADE IS MODULATED TO DIFFUSE THE MASS, AND THE ROOFTOP IS ACCESSIBLE TO RESIDENTS. THE PROJECT IS THE SAME HEIGHT AS OTHER MIDRISE DEVELOPMENT IN THE AREA. THE MASS IS BROKEN DOWN INTO TWO SMALLER FACADES THAT DIRECTLY RELATE IN WIDTH AND PROPORTION TO NEIGHBORING PROPERTIES TO CONTINUE AN ESTABLISHED RHYTHM OF FORM.

D2. EXISTING SITE FEATURES: USE CHANGES IN TOPOGRAPHY, SITE SHAPE, AND VEGETATION OR STRUCTURES TO HELP MAKE A SUCCESSFUL FIT WITH ADJACENT PROPERTIES: FOR EXAMPLE SITTING THE GREATEST MASS OF THE BUILDING ON THE LOWER PART OF THE SITE OR USING AN EXISTING STAND OF TREES TO BUFFER BUILDING HEIGHT FROM A SMALLER NEIGHBORING BUILDING.

THE TWO PROPOSED MASSES SPLAY AT DIFFERING ANGLES TO FOLLOW THE CURVATURE OF ALKI AVENUE AND TO ALIGN WITH ADJACENT PROPERTIES. THE CENTRAL RECESS PROVIDES A VISUAL CONNECTION TO THE HILLSIDE BEYOND THROUGH A TRANSPARENT TWO-STORY SPACE AT LEVEL 2. THE RECESS ALSO SYMBOLICALLY CONNECTS TO THE WATERFRONT BY WAY OF THE WATER WALL AND INFINITY POOL FOCAL POINT.

DESIGN CONCEPT

DC2 ARCHITECTURAL CONCEPT

A. MASSING

A1. SITE CHARACTERISTICS AND USES: ARRANGE THE MASS OF THE BUILDING TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THE CHARACTERISTICS OF THE SITE AND THE PROPOSED USES OF THE BUILDING AND ITS OPEN SPACE. IN ADDITION, SPECIAL SITUATIONS SUCH AS VERY LARGE SITES, UNUSUALLY SHAPED SITES, OR SITES WITH VARIED TOPOGRAPHY MAY REQUIRE PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO WHERE AND HOW BUILDING MASSING IS ARRANGED AS THEY CAN ACCENTUATE MASS AND HEIGHT.

THE BUILDING IS SPLAYED TO FOLLOW THE CURVE OF ALKI AVENUE AND THE SITE. THIS CREATES TWO DISTINCT FACADES. BOTH OF WHICH ALIGN TO THE CURVING STREET AND MATCH THE ALIGNMENT OF NEIGHBORING BUILDINGS, REINFORCING THE EXISTING STREETSCAPE PATTERNS. INTERIOR USES ARE ORIENTED TO THE RECESS BETWEEN THE TWO MASSES AND TO THE STREET TO CONNECT TO THE EXTERIOR SPACES AND THE WATER.

A2. REDUCING PERCEIVED MASS: USE SECONDARY ARCHITECTURAL ELEMENTS TO REDUCE THE PERCEIVED MASS OF LARGER PROJECTS. CONSIDER CREATING RECESSES OR INDENTATIONS IN THE BUILDING ENVELOPE: ADDING BALCONIES. BAY WINDOWS, PORCHES, CANOPIES OR OTHER ELEMENTS: AND/OR HIGHLIGHTING BUILDING ENTRIES.

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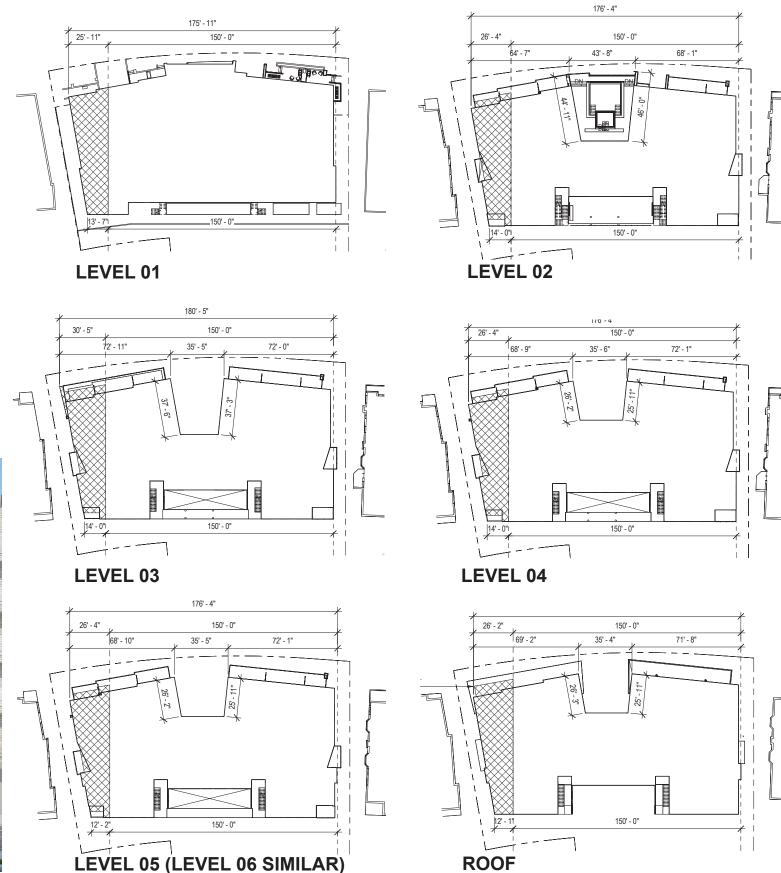
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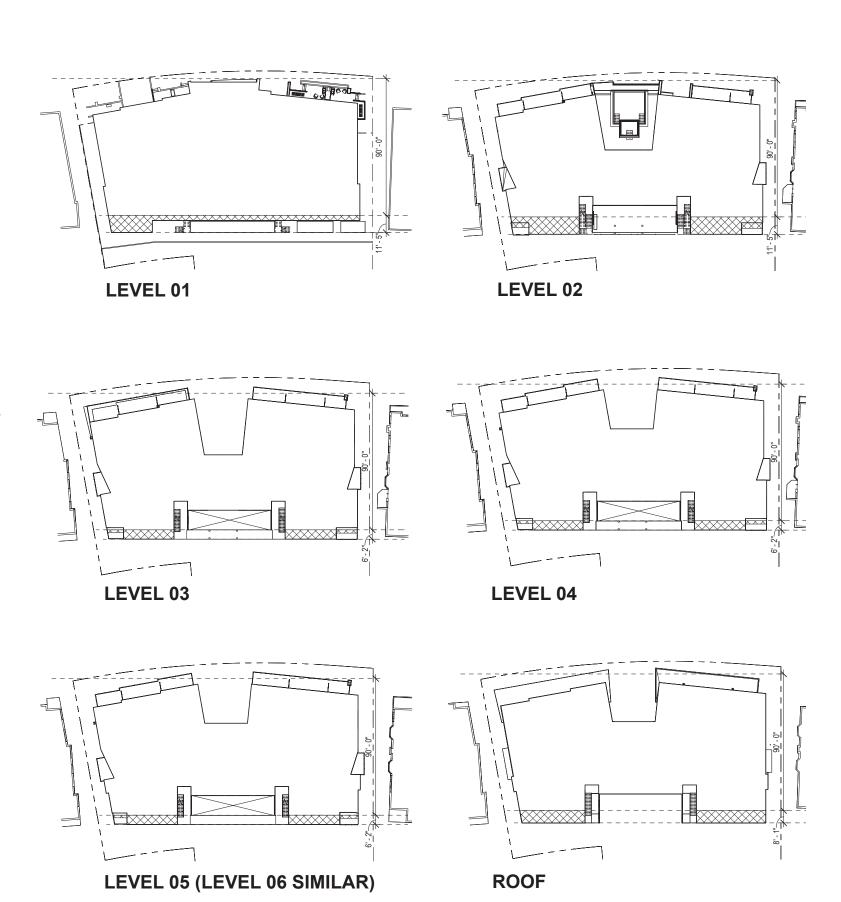
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DESIGN RESPONSE: FURTHER DEVELOPED LANDSCAPE AMENITY PLANS ARE PROVIDED

BOARD COMMENT 7. (3.A) PROVIDE FURTHER DEVELOPED ROOFTOP AND COURTYARD AMENITY SPACES. LEVEL 1



LEVEL 1 HARDSCAPE ELEMENTS



Concrete Paving (Natural Color)



Pedestal Paver: Texada Abbotsford



Special Scored Concrete



Concrete Planter



Steel Planter



Fiberglass Planter



Concrete Seat Wall

R.O.W PLANTINGS

TREE





Stewartia pseudocamellia Japanese Stewartia



Vaccinium ovatum 'Thunderbird'



Juncus patens 'Elk blue' Thunderbird Evergreen Huckleberry Elk Blue California Gray Rush



Cornus sericea 'Kelseyi' Kelsey's Dwarf Red-osier Dogwood Creeping Mahonia



Mahonia repens



Fragaria chiloensis Beach Strawberry



Arctostaphylos uva-ursi Kinnikinnick

BIOPLANTER PLANTINGS

SHRUBS/GRASSES



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Juncus effusus

CONTAINMENT WALL PLANTINGS

TREE



Acer circinatum Vine Maple

SHRUBS/VINES



Polystichum munitum Western Sword Fern



Parthenocissus tricuspidata 'veitchii' Boston Ivy

BUILDING EDGE PLANTINGS

SHRUBS/BAMBOO



Hamamelis x intermedia 'Jelena' Jelena Witch Hazel



Lonicera pileata Box-leaf honeysuckle



Polystichum munitum Western Sword Fern



'Spectabilis' Spectabilis

PERENNIALS / GRASSES / GROUNDCOVERS / VINES



Acorus gramineus 'Ogon' Golden Variegated Sweet Flag



Ice Dance Sedge



Evergold Sedge



Liriope spicata Creeping Lily Turf



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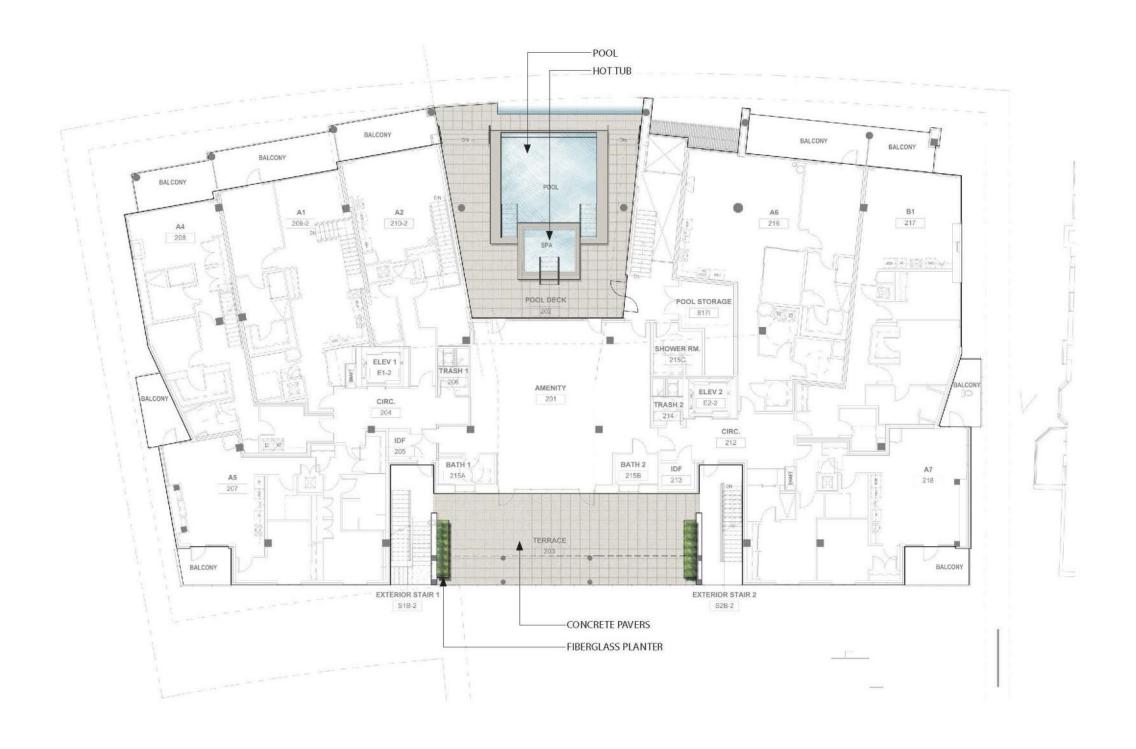
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LANDSCAPE PLAN

LEVEL 2





LEVEL 2 HARDSCAPE ELEMENTS



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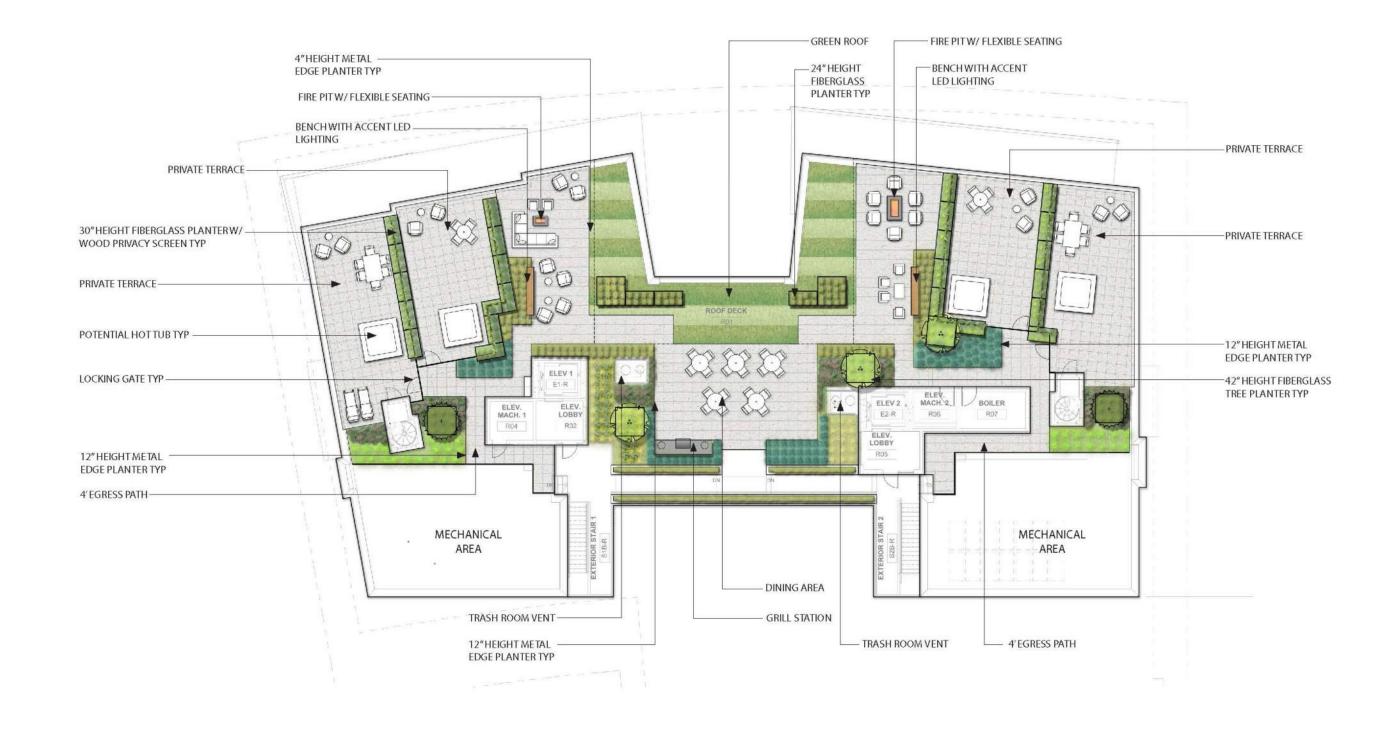
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LANDSCAPE PLAN

ROOF LEVEL





Scale: 1"=20'-0"

ROOF LEVEL HARDSCAPE ELEMENTS



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Metal Edge Planter



Fiberglass Planter



Grill Station



Bench with Accent LED Lighting



Wood Privacy Screen

PLANTINGS TREE



Amelanchier x grandiflora 'Autumn brilliance' Autumn Brilliance Apple Serviceberry

Pinus contorta Shore Pine

GRASSES/GROUNDCOVERS/ VINES



Carex oshimensis 'Evergold' Evergold Sedge



Carex morrowii ' Ice Dance' Ice Dance Sedge



Festuca glauca 'Elijah blue' Elijah Blue Fescue



Hebe rakaiensis 'Golden dome' Golden Dome Hebe



Nassella tenuissima Mexican Feather Grass

Euphorbia characias 'Humpty

Humpty Dumpty Spurge



Helictotrichon sempervirens

Blue Oat Grass

Teucrium chamaedrys Wall Germander



Calamagrostis x acutiflora 'Karl foerster'



Clematis montana 'East malling' East Malling Clematis

GREEN ROOF

SHRUBS

Dumpty'



Green roof



Trachelospermum jasminoides Star Jasmine

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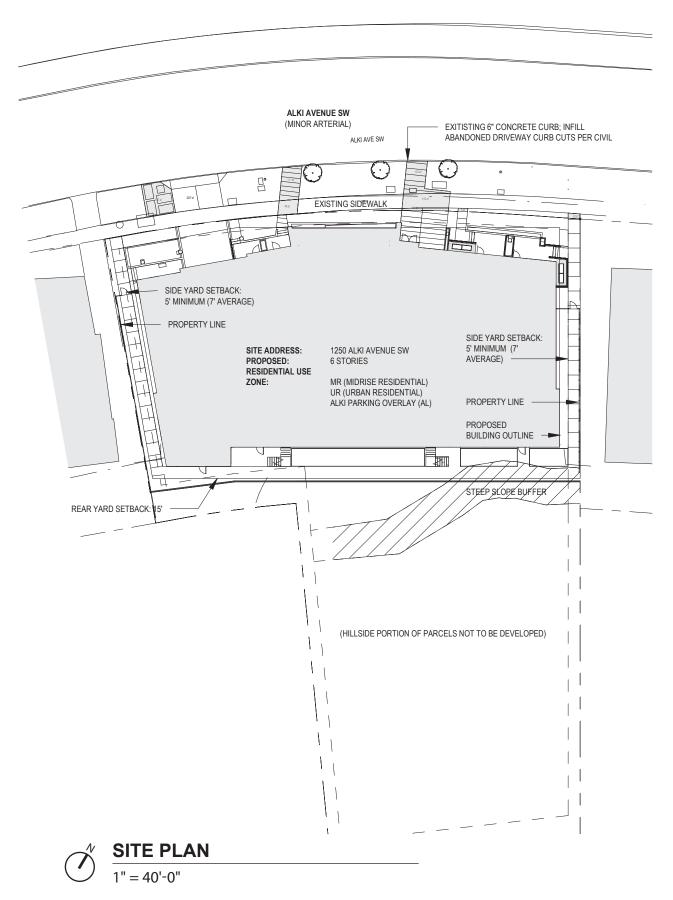
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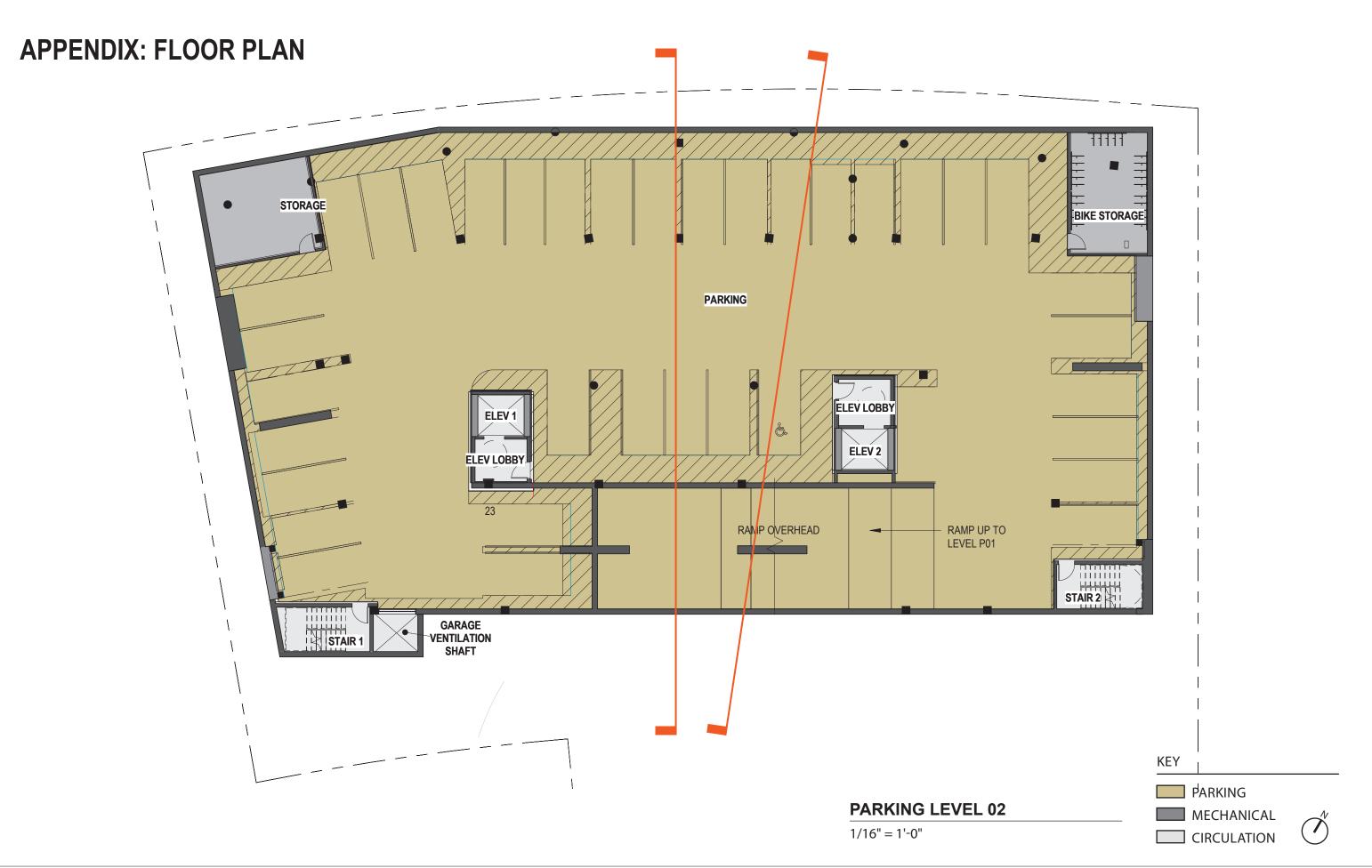
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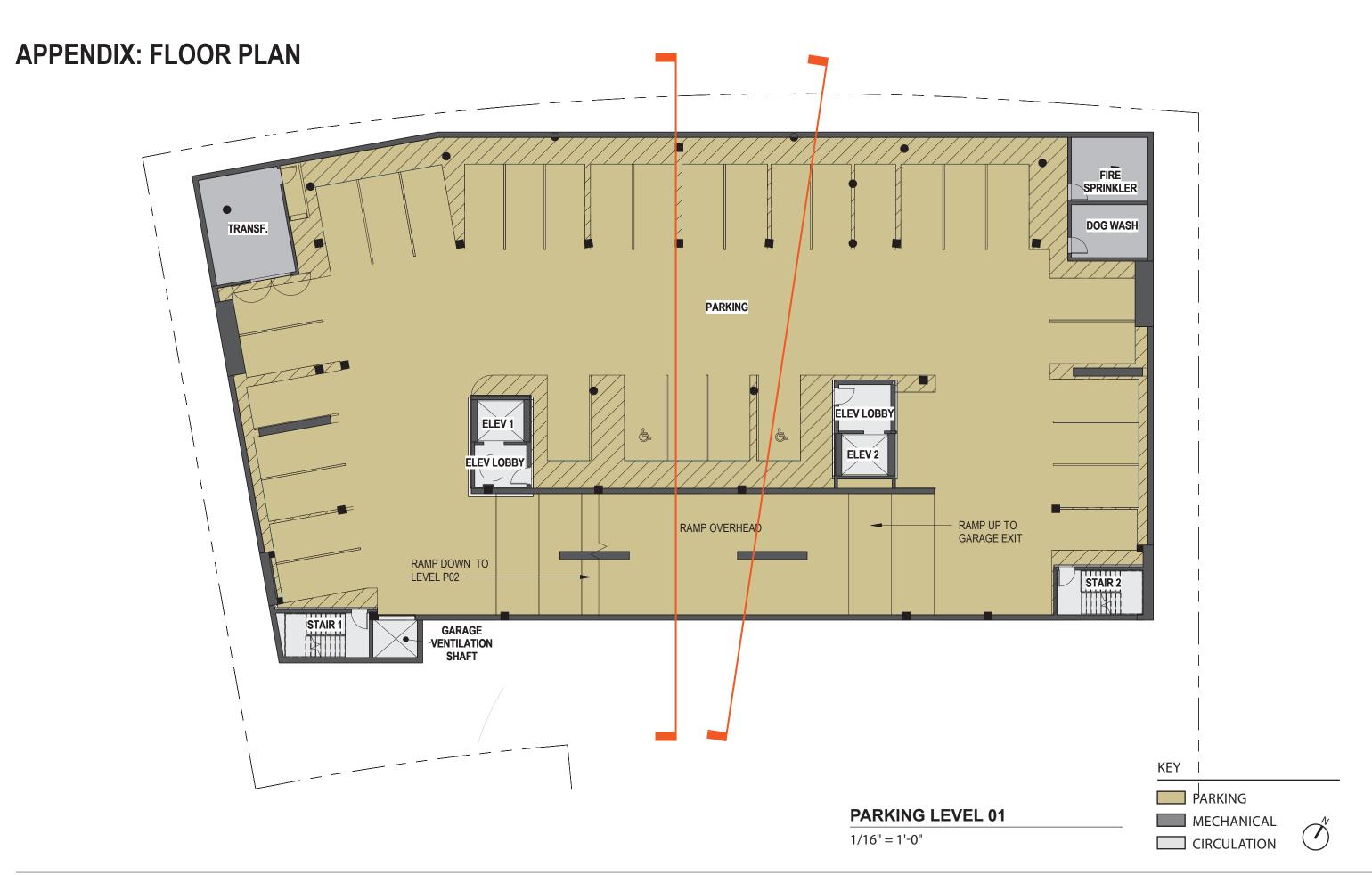
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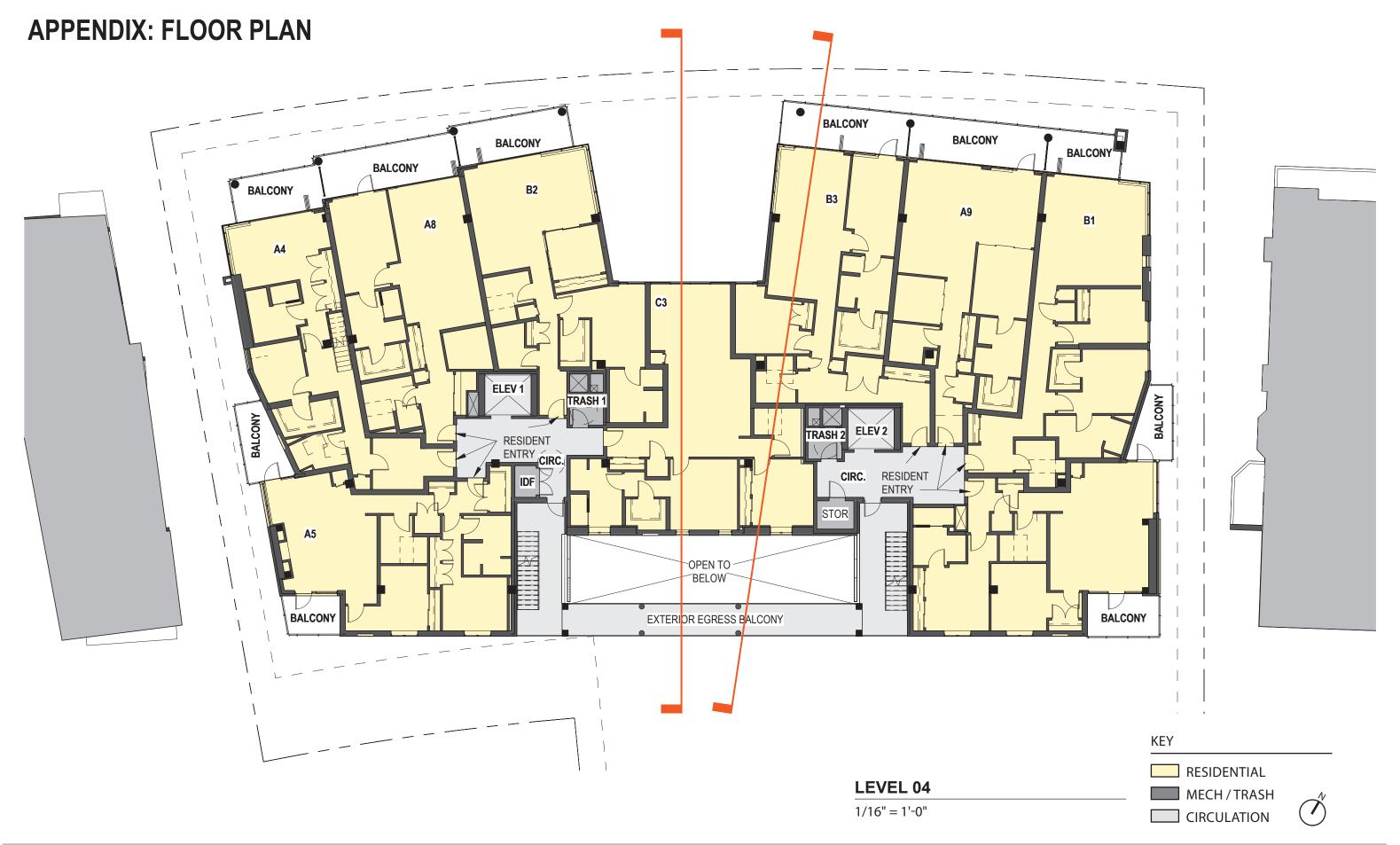
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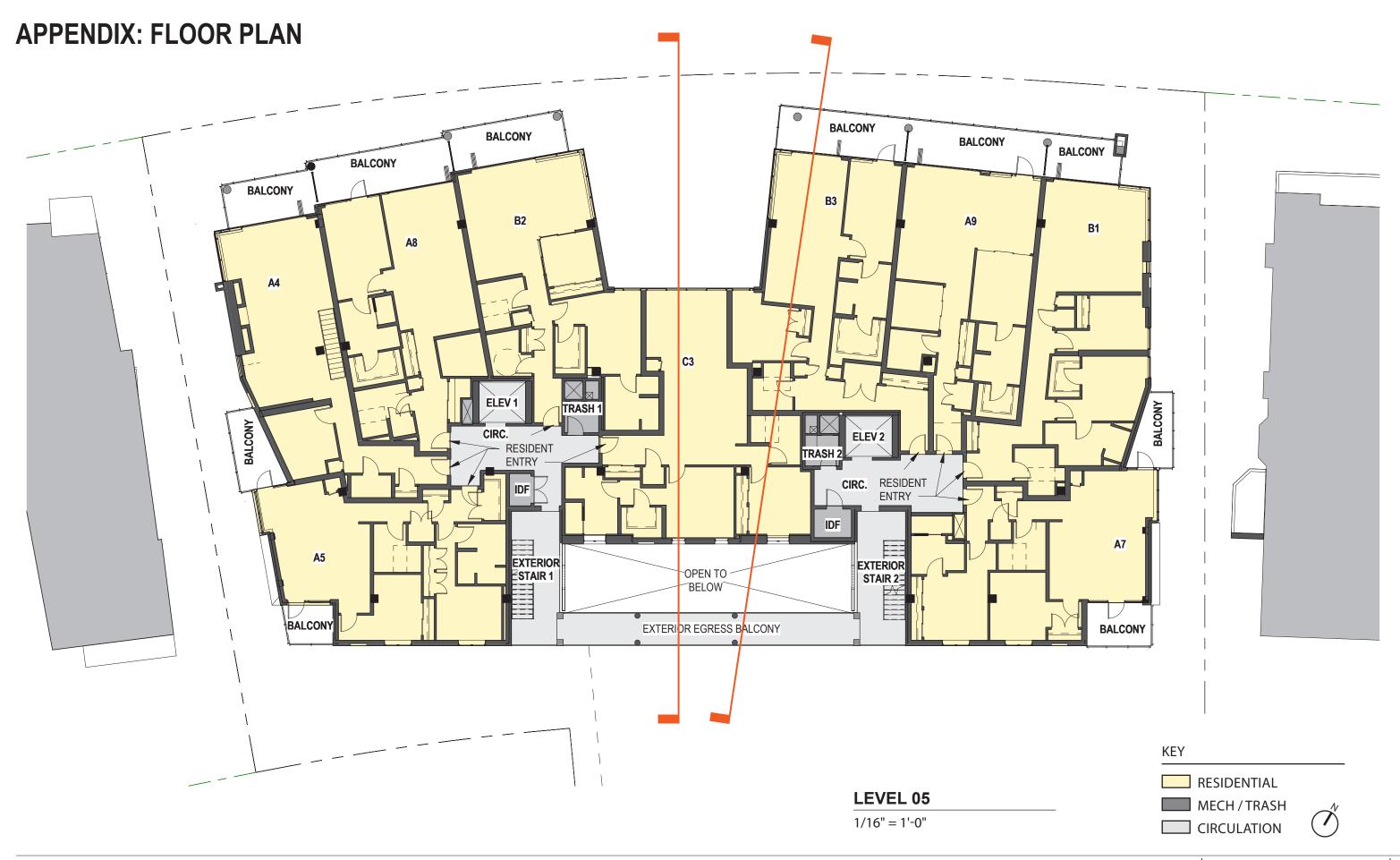
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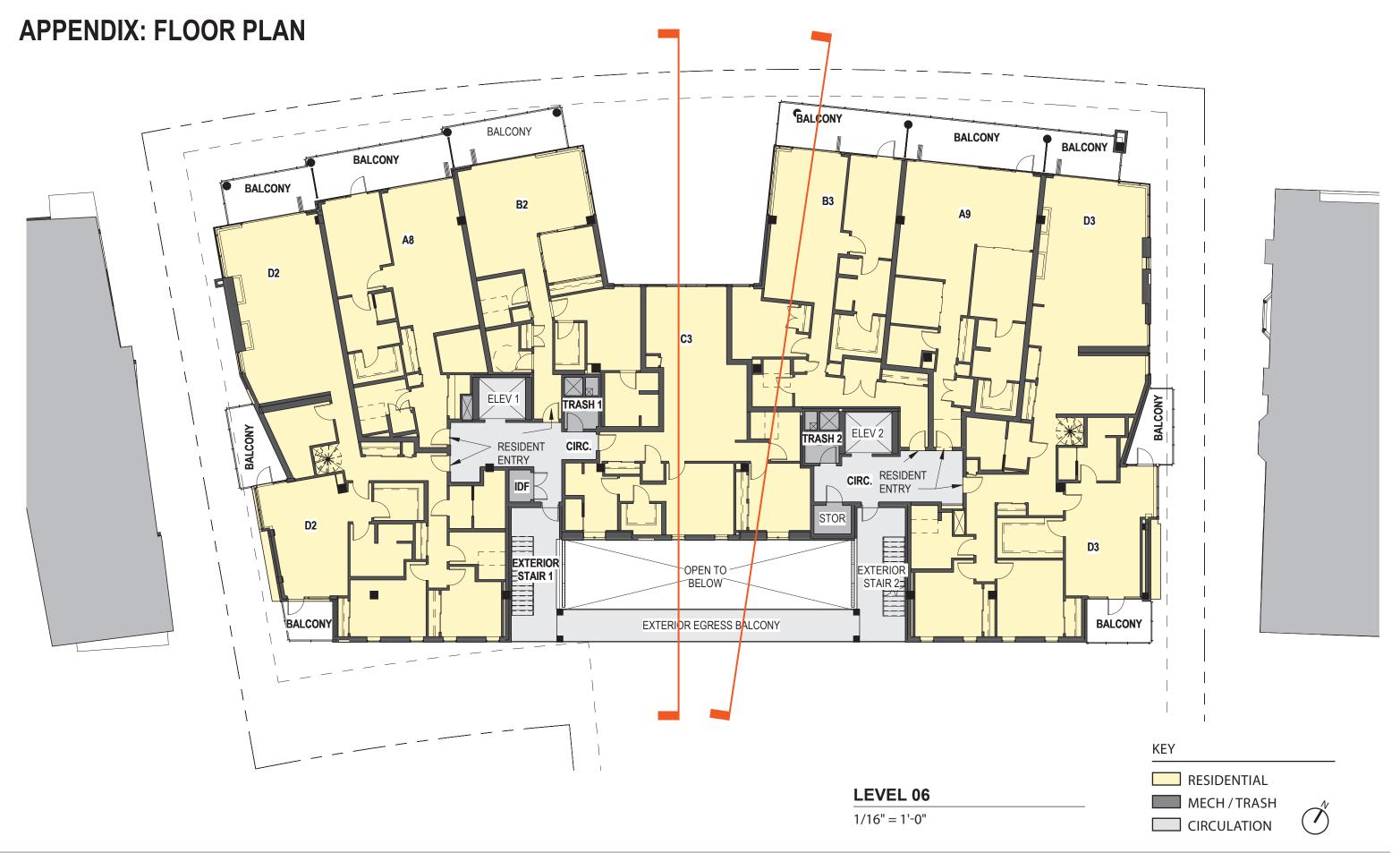
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SITE PLAN

